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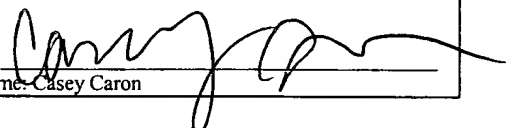
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Applicant:	WUEST et al.	Examiner:	David L. SORKIN
Serial No.:	09/890,055	Group Art Unit:	1723
Filed:	12 September 2002	Docket No.:	07524.0023USWO
Title:	METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THERMALLY TREATING FLOUR FOR HYGIENIC PURPOSES		

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With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 or a CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

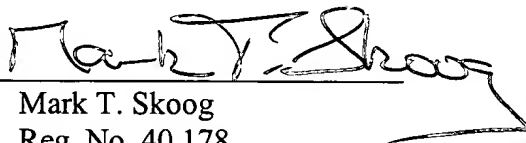
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
						YES	NO
	IE 930995	6/1995	Ireland				
	SU 697127	11/1979	Soviet Union				

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)		
		Memorandum to Parties Involved Conclusion of Opposition Proceedings, 24 March 2005.
		Conclusion of Opposition Proceeding for Patent 00901475.4, 20 March 2005.
		Decision rejecting the opposition (Article 102(2) EPC), 24 March 2005.
		Grounds for decision (Annex), 8 December 2004.
		Minutes of the oral proceeding (Opposition division), 8 December 2004.
		Transmission of Signature Copy pursuant to Rule 76(4) of the EPC, 8 December 2005.
		Letter regarding the Opposition procedure, 19 November 2004.
		Response to the Notification of the EPO dated 27 August 2003 concerning the Opposition, 16 January 2004.

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